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CHAPTER 12: THE NINJAPAN CONSPIRACY CASE ☆



TO STEAL A SECRET
KINDA-SCROLL, YOU
MUST OVERCOME
NUMEROUS TRAPS
AND OBSTACLES.

THE MAIN
ATTRACTION-
TOWN-SCROLL
CASTLE!

AND THEN
ESCAPE
FROM THE
CASTLE
WITHOUT
GETTING
CAUGHT BY
THE GUARDS!

A THREE
FOLD WINGS
YOU DRESS UP
AS A NINJA
AND PLAY TO
YOUR HEART'S
CONTENT!

NINJAPAN!

NINJAPAN

INABA-SAN,
YOU'RE
WAY TOO
INTO
IT!

TIME FOR THY
NONSENSE
I HATH NOT,
NIN NIN!

NOW
BOOM
IT!
SOUNDS
LIKE A
BLAST,
RIGHT?



A
NINJA'S
GOTTA
HAVE
BLACK
HAIR.

WEL,
YOU LOOK
WEIRDLY
CONVINC-
ING.

IT'S MORE
JUNGLED
THAN YOU'D
SUSPECT.
HEAT!



ARE THERE
EVEN ANY
OPENINGS
FOR NINJA
IN THE
TWENTY-
FIRST
CENTURY?

YOU HAVE
SUCH A WEAK
PERFORMANCE,
THIS COULD
BE YOUR
CALLING.

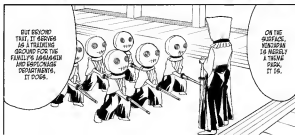


DAMN IT!
ACTING ALL
LONG A NICE
BIG BOO
CHUG-
ACTING!

I WANT HER
TO LEARN
LOTS AND
FALL IN LOVE
WITH JAPAN.

IT'S FOR
STELLA'S
CULTURE
EXCHANGE.









WHAT
DO YOU
WANT
TO DO?

APPARENTLY
HE'S
GOING
TO THE
CASTLE,
TOO.



WHAT?
THE
WOLF?

OH,
HE SAID
HEI-HEI'S
IN THE
DICK.



MIKE GOAT
CASTLE THE
WOLF'S
GRAVE!

THIS IS
WHAT THEY
MEAN BY
"LIKE
NOTES
TO A
FLAME!"



I'M A
BUNNY
RABBIT.
AFTER
ALL.



I
COULDN'T
HEAR A THING
HE SAID.

YOU'VE
GOT
GOOD
EARS.





I'LL GET HIM BY THE TAIL-ONE OF THESE DAYS!

THAT CAT WAS-TARD...



YOU'RE SO THOROUGH, HARUKI-SAN!

GUESS I IMAGINED IT.

I THOUGHT I SENSED AN INTRUDER.



THEY PULL NO PUNCHES WHEN REPELLING INTERLOPING AIKAI.

ON THE OFF CHANCE YOU ARE INJURED, DON'T SUE.

MANY SAMURAI PROTECT THE SECRET SCROLL IN GOIT CASTLE.



YEAR, SOUNDING PRETTY RISKY.

LET'S TURN BACK. CAN'T DO THIS WITH STELLA ALONG.



ALL THOSE NAMES OF THE BRAVE SOULS WHO ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE!

IN BLOOD ?!

WE ASK THAT YOU SIGN THE RELEASE FORM IN BLOOD.



HEI-HEI!















SINCE
YOU'RE COMING
ALL THIS WAY,
LET'S PLAY
A GAME.



IN GOST CASTLE,
YOU'RE SUPPOSED
TO FIND A SECRET
SCROLL.

BUT
I THOUGHT YOU
CARE ABOUT
SOME KODJA
TECHNIQUE
SCROLL,
RIGHT?



SO WE
MEET
AGAIN.

KII-KII.



YOU'LL
SEE ONCE
YOU READ
IT.



WHAT
ARE YOU
UP TO?



COULD BE
USED FOR
EVIDENCE
OF THEIR
CREW.

WHY
NOT NAME
IT A
SOUVENIR
FOR
GOST-GIANT?

I PUT A BOOK
FULL OF TOP
SECRET INTEL ON
THE VALENTINO
FAMILY'S
OPERATIONS IN
WITH IT.



MAN, I'M GOOD.

ARE YOU HURTY?



DON'T GO CLOSER!
IT'S DARK-
ER-GROSS!

WOW
HIDEIN'
THERE

THERE WAS A
SECRET DOOR
HERE, HUH?



DRA-G-
GAN!

TOO!



GUYS,
I NEED
YOU.



MIGHT BE
ABLE TO GET
HEM TO
HAND OVER
HIDDEN IN
EXCHANGE.

IF THAT BOOK
REALLY HAS
INTEL, THE GOVT
WILL WANT TO
KEEP SECRET,

I CAN
USE IT TO
STRAIN A
DEAL WITH
HEM.



WILL YOU
HELP ME FIND
THE SECRET
SCROLL?





LET
US MOVE
TO THE
ROOM OF
SECRETS.

WE KNOW
WHERE THEY'LL
END UP. WE
CAN WAIT IN
AMBUSH.



PLAYING AS
THOUGH THIS IS
AN ORDINARY
THING. EVEN
THOUGH
THEIR
JACQUENETTES
ARE RIGHT UNDER
THEIR NOSE.

ROOM.

IT SEEMS
THEY'RE ON
THE HUNT FOR
THE SECRET
SCROLL.

THERE'S
A LOT OF
PUSH, THAT
DOGS!

ROOM OF SECRETS



IF IT TURNS
OUT TO BE FINE
AFTER ALL OF
THESE TRAPS,
I'LL TRY.

MY
CHEST IS
YOURS TO
TRY ON





THE KUNIA
TECHNIQUE
SCROLL AND
THE TOP
SECRET ETEL
NARUKI LEFT
ARE BOTH
INSIDE
HERE...



YOU CAN'T
JUDGE A DEAL WITH
THE MAPLE. DON'T
BE FOOLISH.

THE CONTENTS
OF THIS BOX
BELONGS WITH
THE POLICE, AS
EVIDENCE.



YOU WILL
ALWAYS BE
A GUARD
DOG OF
JUSTICE.

YOU
ARE A
POLICE
DOG.

...
I'M NOT
A...

SHOW
SOME
RE-
STRAINT,
DARK
MOO-
ORSE!

WOW. TALK
ABOUT MESSY
WRITING.





THE GUY'S
LAUGHTER
FEELS SO
DIRTY...

I CAN'T
BELIEVE I'M
CAPABLE OF
SUCH UGLY
FEELINGS

THE MONTH
OF E. D. Y. Y
(GURRY?)

IT'S LIKE
A SPIN IN
THE HEART

MY
BELOVED
GUY IS LAUGHING
HAPPILY, BUT IT'S
KARURA-DONO
BECAUSE HEH

IF
ONLY KOTO
REALIZE
THAT YOUR
PARANOID
SUSPICIONS
WERE ONLY
FOR HIM...



YOU STOP!
MUSTN'T
READ
THAT!

MY
HEART...
DOW'S
WITH
KARURA-
DONO
AGAIN!

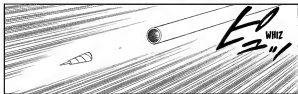


WHAT
?!

MY
DIARYYYY
!









SCRAPPED STORY:
BENEATH THE BAG, IT'S
HORROR.

HOW
SERIOUS
IS THIS?

THEY FEAR MY
HAWK EYES. YOU ARE
THE FIRST TO LOOK
DIRECTLY INTO
THEM.



▼ CHAPTER 12:
THE KINJAPAN CONSPIRACY
CASE. I WAS GOING TO
HAVE THEM PARTICIPATE
IN SUCH EVENTS IN GROUPS
OF THREE, BUT THAT
WAS UNNECESSARILY
COMPLICATED, SO
I DROPPED THAT.

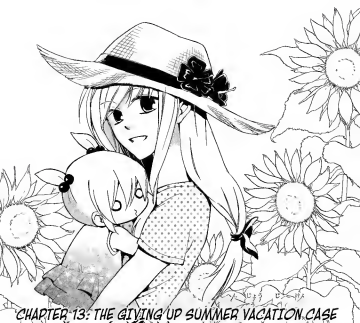


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TO CELEBRATE OGI-SAN
HAVING CONSECUTIVE
DAYS OFF FOR THE
FIRST TIME IN A WHILE,
HE TOOK US ON A
CAMPING TRIP.





A DADDY AND
DAUGHTER SO TOUGH
THAT THEY CAN BREAK
CIVILIZATION
THEIRSELVES.

BUT
DOESN'T
SEEM LIKE
WE'LL FIND
ANY.

I WAS
MOVING
FROM
FEAR
CUSHY.



WHEN THERE'S A WATER-FALL, YOU GOTTA MEDITATE UNDER IT.







YO.

HEY.



...



LONG GASSES.
TIRED THEM-
SELVES OUT.

YOUR
ASSIS-
TANTS
SLEEPING,
TOOT



YEAH.

WE'VE
BEEN DOING
NOTHING
BUT WORK.

FEELS
WEIRD,
DOESN'T
IT?

HANGING
OUT WITH
EACH OTHER
FOR FUN.



WHY'D I HAVE
TO GO AND
SEE THAT?



IT'S JUST
A GONT.

A WILD
GONT.

A
HALL-
UCINA-
TION?

HAVE I BEEN
WORKING
THAT MUCH?



GUESS
WE
GOTTA
TALK
'EM...

IT WAS
A SHORT
ESCAPE
FROM
REALITY...

DAMNIT,
THEY'RE
HERE...

OWW

WAIT
FOR
ME!









TOMORROW'S
THE BIG DAY,
ISN'T IT?

GET UP FOR
TOMORROW,
WE SHOULD.



WOW,
DON. THAT'S
THE MOST
BLOODYTHIRSTY
OF THE LOT.

WHAT
WILL YOU
FEED IT?
FRESH
BLOODY

I'M GOING TO
MAKE THIS ONE MY
PET, I AM.



THE JAPANESE
WILL GROVEL
BEFORE US.
THEY WILL.

WE'LL RELEASE
THAT ALL AT ONCE.
WE WILL.



THAT
SHOULD
EASE
THEIR
WOR-
RIES.

WE'LL
LEAVE
THEM A
NOTE.

I COULDN'T
BRING A
PDA, MAN.



EVERYBODY'S
GONNA WORRY
IF
THEY WAKE UP AND
WE'RE GONE.



YOU
GONNA
GO
AFTER
THEM?

OF
COURSE.

THEY'RE
WATCHING
A PLAN
AGAIN...













NO
MOORE!
SO
ANNOY-
ING!



IT'S BUZZING
ENJOYING
POWERFUL,
IMPACTIC SOUND
WAVES,
UNDETECTABLE BY
HUMAN EARS.

THIS LITTLE GUY
IS A PERFECTED
BRAINWASHING
BOT, BUILT AS AN
IMPROVEMENT OF
THE BRAINWASHING
MACHINERY.

WHAT DOES
EXPOSURE
TO IT DO TO
A PERSON,
YOU ASK?

BRAIN-
WASHING
AGENCY?



FIVE DAYS
OF THIS, AND
THE BRAIN-
WASHING
TAKES HOLD
COM-
PLETELY.

THE ONLY FLAW
IN THE CONCEPT
IS THAT ITS
BATTERY ONLY
LASTS ONE
WEEK.

BUT
IT WORKS
QUICKLY.



NOW'S OUR
CHANCE.

ARE
YOU
OKAY,
HIRO-
SHIT

SHUT
THE
HELL
UP!







WHAI
IT'S A
DEVIL
CHILD
!!



IF YOUR
PAPA SEES YOU
TAKING SUCH
A DARK CLASS
HE'LL CRY!

NO,
AZUSA-
CHAN!

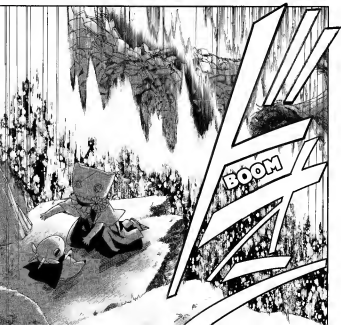


WELCOME
TO THE "HOW
TO MAKE BUG
SAMPLES"
CLASSROOM.

THAT'S SO
CREEPY, EVEN
THE ASSASSIN
IS TAKEN
ABACK!













▼ CHAPTER 4: THE SECRET DOCUMENT'S ROBBERY CASE

HE GOT BACK THE SCROLL,
BUT FINDS HIMSELF IN A CRISIS
OF UNUSUAL PROPORTIONS ON
A ROYAL COURT





◀ CHAPTER 4: THE SECRET DOCUMENTS ROBBERY CASE

OGEI-SAN AFTER
SWIMMING ALL THE WAY TO
THE HOUSEBOAT.

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CHAPTER 14: THE GENIUS TAG TEAM CASE



IT'S
FINISHED



SAY
SOMETHING
WHEN YOU
COME IN!



TAKE
A LOOK. THIS
IS MY NEWEST
CREATION-A
HIGHLY-
ADVANCED
LIFE-FORM.

HMM,
WHAT TO
MAKE
NEXT?



LEADER
OF THE
VALENTINO
FAMILY'S
MEDICAL
DEPARTMENT.

A
BACK-
ALLEY
DOCTOR.



NOAH



YOU COULD
SAY SHE'S THE
MASTERMIND
KEEPING THE
VALENTINO
FAMILY GOING
FROM THE
SHADOWS.

SHE'S
ONLY FOURTEEN
YEARS OLD, BUT
UNMISTAKABLY
A GENIUS.

SHE
SPECIALIZES
IN INVENTIONS,
AND THEY ALSO
CALL HER
A WITCH AND AN
ALCHEMIST.



LOSING
NOAH WOULD
HALVE THE
THREAT THEY
POSE.

IF
VALENTINO
AIMS TO
TAKE OVER
JAPAN, SHE
WILL BE
INDISPENS-
ABLE.



SHE'S
A TERRIFYING
GIRL WHO
TURNS
VALENTINO'S
FANTASIES
INTO
REALITY.

YES.

THAT GOIT'S
GOT A LOT OF
CONTRAPTIONS.
ARE THEY ALL
FROM HERE?





INABA-SAN!
YOU'LL
LOSE
YOUR
HEAD!

I WAS TRYING
TO BE SENSITIVE
TO YOUR
SITUATION. BUT
IF THAT'S WHAT
YOU WANT,
I WON'T HOLD
BACK EITHER.

YOU'D
RATHER DRAG
ME OUT THERE
KICKING AND
SCREAMING?
CREEP.

FINE.
I'LL DO YOU
A FAVOR AND
STRUGGLE--
BUT ONLY
THIS ONCE.

NATUR-
ALLY,
IT'S...

WELL,
SHE'S A
DOCTOR.

SO
WHERE'S
NOBARI'S
REDECOUT?

NO
MORE
AMATEUR
HOUR.
BUT

BUT I'M
GOING TO
SEE WHAT
A CUTE
DETECTIVE
IS MADE
OF.

AIN'T THE
MOST
NATURE WAY
TO MEET
A FOUR-
TEEN-
YEAR-
OLD LITTLE
GIRL...

A
HOSPITAL.













MMH.

WELL,
YOU LOOK
TO BE IN
ORDER.



QUIT
MOLESTING
ME!

YOUR COLOR,
YOUR SHINE,
YOUR FIRMNESS!
YOUR BODIES
ARE HAHA!

ARE YOU
TURNED
ON?
YOUR
PULSE IS
RACING.



HECK
NO!



GOAT!

KILL HIM
NOW, YOU
MUST!

THAT IS
HIM, MOM!
HE IS THE
WOLF, HE
IS!

HOW
COULD
I KILL
HIM?!
IT'D BE
A TOTAL
WASTE!

WEREWOLVES ARE AN
ENDANGERED SPECIES!
OBVIOUSLY I GOTTA
SKIN HIM, OBSERVE
HIM, STUDY HIM, AND
EXPERIMENT ON HIM!

THIS IS
THE FIRST
HENCHMAN
WHO'S
DISOBEYED
AN ORDER
FROM THE
GOAT...

ENOUGH
VITALITY
TO
SURVIVE
AN ICE
AGE...

I NEED
HIM IN
PERFECT
CONDITION,
BOTH
BODY AND
SOUL.

THIS
WON'T
DO AT
ALL.

PLUS, HE'S
EYES ARE
ALL RED!

HE NEEDS
TO GET
MORE
SLEEP.

TAKE YOUR
EXTREME
CONTRAST
OBSESSION
SOMEWHERE
ELSE!

KILL THE
WOLF, YOU
WILL!

IT'S BEST WHEN
THE YOUNG AND
HEALTHY DIE
BEFORE THEIR
TIME!

YOU DON'T
APPRECIATE
THE RAWTNESS OF
THE CONTRAST,
DOW



THANKS.

WAIT,
NO!



HURRY'S
WITH YOU,
RIGHT?!

HEY,
YOU!



TH-THANK
YOU FOR
LOOKING
AFTER MY KID
BROTHER.

INCIDENTALLY,
I ONLY DROPPED
BY TO VISIT HIS
SIBLING, I DID.

I'M USIN'
FOUR-EYES THERE
AS AN ASSISTANT
WHILE HE
RECOVERATES AT
MY LAB.

THE
RABBIT?
THE
SUMMER
HEAT LEFT
HIM ON
DEATH'S
DOORSTEP.

THE FIRST
BAGGET IS FOR
HIM, IT IS.

HE MAKES
A GOOD
PERSONALITY
LIKE HE'S NOT
EVER THERE
NEVER GETS
DISTRACTED.



THANK
YOU,
DOGS!

ONCE HE'S
AS GOOD
AS NEW

OH,
WE'LL
GIVE
HIM
BACK.



YOU
SHOULD

I THOUGHT ABOUT
CALLING YOU A FEW
TIMES, I DID.

WAIT, YOU
SHOULD
JUST GIVE
HIM BACK.





OH SNAP!
THERE'S
A FIRE IN
OUR
GENIUS'S
EYES,
TOO!

I
WOULD
LOVE
TO
HELP!

WONDER-
FUL!
THERE'S
A FIRE IN
KOSHI'S
EYES,
THERE
IS!

I
WOULD
LOVE
TO
KILL
HIM!



AAAAA-
TURT...

YUTA-KUN,
COME BACK!
THAT'S THE
ENEMY'S
SIDE!

I ABSOLUTELY
HAVE TO MEASURE
HIS LUNG CAPAC-
ITY BEFORE HE
STOPS BREATH-
ING.

GET YOUR-
SELF A BLOOD
SAMPLE, TOO!
LIKE FIVE
LITERS
WORTH.

OH, MY
GAWD! DO
YOU THINK
HE'LL LET ME
TAKE AN
HRT?



DON'T
SELECTIVELY
PUT ME ON
MUTE!

I KNOW
YOU CAN
HEAR ME!

?



HE'S
ITCHING
FOR A
FIGHT,
TOO!

BUT IT
SEEMS THE
DAY I CAN
ARREST THE
ASSISTANT
HAS FINALLY
COME!



I WOULD
HAVE BEEN
SATISFIED
ARRESTING
NOAH
ALONE.

YUUTA!
DON'T
MAKE ME
MAD!



THIS IS
PEPPY-
OUT...

THINKING
ABOUT THAT
TEMPERATURE
DROPPING
BELOW 27
DEGREES
CELSIUS
GETS ME
SO...

HE
GOT
SO
HOT...



SHOCK



LOOKS LIKE
IT'S TIME FOR
THE DEBUT OF
MY NEWEST
CREATION:
CHIMERA!

I'VE HEARD
AAALL
ABOUT THIS
STRONG
DETECTIVE.



BUT MY CHIMERA?
IT'S AN ORIGINAL.



THE HEAD
OF A LION.

THE BODY
OF A GOAT.

THE TAIL
OF A SNAKE.
THAT'S WHAT
THEY SAY
MAKES A
CHIMERA.



FIRST NEW
MEDICINES
AND NA-
CHIMES...

A CHIM-
ERA
?!

NEXT
WOULD
COME
A NEW LIFE-
FORM.



OH, MY
GOD!

BAN

BE-
HOLD!



THE TAIL
OF A
GOAT!

THE HEAD
OF A
GOAT!

THE BODY
OF A
GOAT!





SOAK!
YOUR!
HOOVES!
IN!
BLOOD!

KILL!
KILL!
KILL!



THE
INSIDE
OF HIS
MOUTH IS
THAT OF A
VENOMOUS
GRACE.

FORGOT
TO MENTION:



THEY LOOK
ALL INNOCENT,
BUT THE CONVER-
SATION IS
VENOMOUS!

AWESOME!
THE ONE
THAT'LL
SUFFOCATE
HIM!

IT WAS A TOUGH
CHOICE, BELIEVE ME.
STILL, BETWEEN A PIT
VIPER AND A CORRA,
YOU GOTTA GO WITH
THE CORRA.

OK,
MY GOSH!
NEARLY 100%
ON HEAD-
BENDING?











OR THE
DON'S AS
GOOD AS
DEAD!

YOU'RE
GOING
TO SAVE
SENSEI,
RIGHT
NOW!



SHAAA, SHU,
SHU, SHU!
UNFORTUNATE
FOR YOU,
IT IS! I AM
OVER HERE,
I AM!

THE
WOLF
SHALL
DIE!



THAT ONE'S
THE GELATIN
CHIMERA!



NOAH?
?!

IF
YOU'VE TAKEN
THE DON
HOSTAGE,
I HAVE NO
CHOICE.

GEH...





▼ CHAPTER 5: THE SEIZING THE
TOP OF THE CRIMINAL
JORDAN CASE

WHEN THEY GO INSIDE THE
ROCKET, THERE'S A SECURITY
ACT INSIDE IT.



▼ CHAPTER 2: FOREST OF
CHERRY BLOSSOMS
OCCUPATION CASE

OGATA FALLS FOR
A FOOD TRAP AND ENDS
UP USELESS.



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CHAPTER 15: THE BIRTH OF THE PHANTOM CUTICLE THIEF CASE







BUT THEY
MADE OFF
WITH EVERY
LAST
STOUND!



I-I
COULDN'T
PROTECT
YOU...



LOOK WHAT
OGI-SAN HAS
TO PUT UP
WITH.

WHAT
GIVES,
JERK?

THE
HUMAN
CITY



IF AED
PUT THEM
MUCH
EFFORT
INTO HIS
ACTUAL
JOB...

**YOU CAN'T
STEAL
FROM AN
EX-POLICE
BOSS!**

I'LL
FIND
CLUES
!



HOW
CAN YOU
IGNORE
ALL THE
HOOF-
PRINTS
EVERY-
WHERE?

MAYBE IT
BELONGS
TO THE
CULPRIT?

A
HAIR!



STOP
HIM NOW,
YUUTA-
KUN, OR
HE'LL GO
ON FOR
HOURS!

BUT SADLY,
I WAS BORN
WITH LOVE
FOR ONLY WAVY-
LOOKING HUMAN
CUTICLES...

MINE IS
THE SAME AS
ORDINARY
DOGS AND
CATS.

CUTICLES
DIFFER
FROM
SPECIES
TO
SPECIES.



YOU
CAN TELL
JUST
FROM
LOOKING
AT THE
CUTI-
CLE?

THIS
CUTICLE
AIN'T
HUMAN.



DON'T
LOOK SO
SURPRISED!

IT'S
GOAT
HAIR?!

WHAT
THE...



WE
SHOULD
SHAVE
ALL
OF
THE
HAIR
IN
JAPAN,
WE
SHOULD!

THE WOLF'S
TREASURE BRINGING
ME MONEY... IT
FEELS GOOD, IT
DOES!



IT'S... THE
WOLF'S
BUSINESS
CARD?!



WHO'S
THERE
?!

BOON!



IT'S AN
ANNOUNCE-
MENT OF
INTENT TO
ROB!



TONIGHT AT
MIDNIGHT I WILL
COME TO TAKE
YOUR CUTICLE
DIAMONDS.



HUH?

...

YOU MUST
APPRE-
HEND HIM,
YOU
MUST!

A WERE-
WOLF THIEF
IS AFTER MY
DIAMONDS,
HE IS!



DON'T TALK LIKE
THE REST OF US
SHOULD KNOW
WHAT'S COMMON
SENSE TO A HAIR
FETISHIST?

NO DUH.



DIAMONDS
MADE
FROM
HAIR?

IS THAT
EVEN
POSS-
IBLE?!



YEAH,
RIGHT.
THERE'S
GOT TO BE
A BUNCH
OF OTHER
STUFF IN
IT. NOT
THAT I'D
KNOW.

CARBON--THE
SAME CARBON
THAT DIAMONDS
ARE MADE OF!

AND THE
OTHER FIFTY
PERCENT IS
CARBON!



IS
KIMWEE??

FIFTY
PERCENT
OF WHAT
MAKES UP
HAIR



I'VE TRIED
IT MYSELF.
FUTONS,
CARPETS,
SCARVES...

MAKING
USE OF HUMAN
HAIR HAS BEEN
A DREAM SINCE
THE NINETEENTH
CENTURY.

I GOT
THE SAME
RESULTS AS
MY PREDE-
CESSORS:



A FACTORY
IN SPAIN
HOLDS THE
PATENT.

SYNTHETIC
DIAMONDS
MADE FROM
HAIR ARE
ALREADY
A THING.

THE
WORLD
OF HAIR
IS
INCRED-
IBLE!



BUT IT'S THE
TWENTY-FIRST
CENTURY NOW!

WE'VE ENTERED
A NEW WORLD,
WHERE HAIR
CAN BECOME
DIAMONDS!



A DARK-
HAired
HISTORY.

THANK
GOD FOR
THAT.

IT WAS TOO
PRECIOUS, SO
I GAVE UP.



WHAT A
WASTE OF
ENTHUS-
IASM...

IT'S NOT
SOMETHING
THE GOAT CAN
JUST MESS
WITH AS HE
PLEASES!

TIME HAS
CAUGHT UP
TO HAIR!

THIS
TECHNIQUE
HAS GIVEN
HOPE
TO HAIR
FETISHISTS!



IT'S ONE OF THE SPECIAL PROPERTIES OF HAIR.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, PERMANENCE?



NEXT THING WE KNOW, WE'LL WISE UP TO HAIR'S PERMANENCE, TOO.

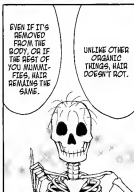
IF WE DON'T PUT A STOP TO THIS, THAT GOAT WILL BE AFTER ALL THE HAIR IN THE WORLD.



THEY'RE ALREADY GONNA JACK UP THE PRICE FOR CELEBRITY HAIR.

OUTSIDE OF JAPAN, IT'S COMMON NOT TO CREMATE, RIGHT?

BUT IF IT'S ONE WHO'S DEAD, THEY COULD TACK ON MORE DIGITS TO THE PRICE.



EVEN IF IT'S REMOVED FROM THE BODY, OR IF THE REST OF YOU MUMMIFIES, HAIR REMAINS THE SAME.

UNLIKE OTHER ORGANIC THINGS, HAIR DOESN'T ROT.



THE GOAT WILL KEEP ABUSING CUTICLES TO FEED HIS GREED.

THEY'LL SHAVE EVERYONE IN THE WORLD

AND ROB EVEN THE DEAD.





INDEED,
IT IS!

THIS IS
ALL OF THE
DIAMONDS?



THE POT
CALLING
THE KETTLE
BLACK
MUCH,
MAFIA
GOMST?

...

THIS IS
WHY I HATE
WOLVES,
IT IS!

YOU HAVE
TO BE A TOTAL
SCOUNDREL TO
STEAL DIAMONDS,
YOU DO!

I CANNOT
BELIEVE HE IS
A POLICE DOG,
I CAN'T!

OH, STILL
HAPPY FOR
NOW?



FOOM



I'M
NOT.

AND
OGI-SAN
WHY ARE YOU
TAKING
THEIR SIDE?



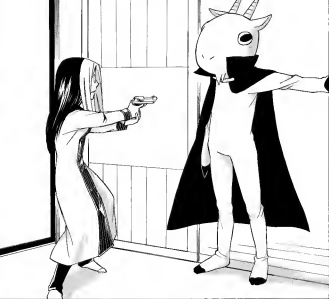
I
SWEAR
I'LL
STOP
HIM.

I CAN'T LET
ANYONE
BECOME A
CRIMINAL.











AIIEEEEE!!!!



RUN,
MINION...

HE CAN'T
BE
STOPPED.

TOOK
MY
GUN...

WHY
WHILES



OGI-SAN!
A GOAT!

A LONG
GOAT IS
SQUIRM-
ING
AROUND!

WHYTHE
ZIL
WHYTHE
ZIL
WHYTHE
ZIL
WHYTHE
ZIL





DO NOT
BLAME
ME! BLAME
HIM FOR
SNAPPING
OVER
HERE
HAIR, YOU
SHOULD!

YOU
MADE
HIM
SNAP!

THIS
HAPPENED
BECAUSE
YOU
STOLE
INABA-
SAN'S
HAIR!



LOR-
EN-
ZO-
OO-
OI!



I WILL
NEVER
FORGIVE
YOU,
I WON'T!

CURSE
YOU, WOLF!
YOU COLD,
HEARTLESS
MONSTER!



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YOU
WOULD
NEVER
DIE.

HERE
HAIR, YOU
SAV?

IN ANCIENT
TIMES, IT WAS
THOUGHT THAT
AS LONG AS
PROSERPINA
NEVER TOOK
A SINGLE LOCK
OF YOUR HAIR

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THOSE
DIAMONDS ARE
MEMENTOS OF MY
MOTHER. NO, THEY
MAY AS WELL BE
HER ASHES!

I CAN'T
STAND FOR MY
BELOVED
CUTICLES TO
BE IN THE
HANDS OF THE
GOAT!

THROUGH
CUTICLES,
I EXPERI-
ENCED
MOTHERLY
LOVE!



IT'S
TOUCHING,
BUT IT'S
STILL A HAIR
FETISH!

WHAT
A TOUCHING
TALE OF HAIR
FETISHISM!



TAKE
THIS!

YOU
SPEAK
NON-
SENSE,
YOU DO!





IF YOU
WANT
THESE GO
BADLY,
THEN...

HAVE
IT
YOUR
WAY...



HIRO-
SHI....!



YOU
WOULDN'T
LET A
HOSTAGE
GET
OFFED,

EVEN IF
THEY'RE
A CRIMI-
NAL.



!



GO
FETCH!

FLING





▼ CHAPTER 10: THE UNIFORMED POLICE
OFFICER SAITO CASE (KURUKI'S
INTRODUCTION)

WITCHAM TAKEN A NAP DURING THE
OVERNIGHT SEARCH FOR KIDNAP.
THERE WASN'T ROOM TO OBLIVION HIM
TAKING A LOT TIME TO WAKE UP...





THIS IS
WHAT HAPPENS
WHEN I'M
SERIOUSLY
TAKEN ABACK

YEEHAW
...

NEI-WUN!
YOUR
JIAN'S
JUTTING
OUT!

◀ CHAPTER 10: THE UNIFORMED POLICE OFFICER
RAID CAGE (ARUKA'S INTRODUCTION)

ARUKA'S BROTHER COMPLEX ANTI'S LEAVES
KEM AGAPE.

BUT I GOT TOLD THAT WE WERE GONNA TAKE ANY
SCENE SERIOUSLY, IT SHOULD BE THIS ONE.

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THEY SAY
EATING A BLACK
HARD-BOILED
EGG ADDS SEVEN
YEARS TO YOUR
LIFE. THEY DO.

THIS IS
SLEEP

CLEAR SKIDS
AND AUTUMN
LEAVES

IT IS
PERFECT
TRAVEL
WEATHER,
IT IS!

YOU
SHOULD
HAVE ONE
TOO, YOU
SHOULD.

BLACK ROOM—BLACKBOARD—MOUNTAIN. THERE ARE TWO BLACK ROOMS, ONE LEADING TO THE WEST DOORWAY



YOU CAN'T EVEN
TOLERATE THE
ELEVATION OF
COMMUNISM?

I'D RATHER
HAVE...
CIGARETTES...



**DON'T
SUBNORMAL
PHOTOS ARE
BEST WHEN YOU
NOTICE THEM IN
THE DAYS AFTER
THE TRIP!**

A PERSONAL
PHOTO FOR ME!

CHERRY HILL,
N.J. 08034

NO ONE TOLD
ME THERE'D BE
HUNTING.

YOUR
GHOST IS
COMING
OUT,
FADING
AWAY





















WE DO THIS EVERY YEAR AS A TEAM-BUILDING TRIP.



A CLOSET PERVERT, HE IS.

LOOKS LIKE THAT WAS TOO MUCH FOR YATARO.



THE HOT SPRINGS WILL BE DYED RED, THEY WILL!

TELL ME, HOW COME I'M THE ONLY ONE YOU DIDN'T REACT TO?

YATAAA!

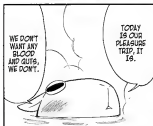
WHAM WHAM WHAM WHAM



GETTING FLUSTERED OVER NOTHING? ADORABLE.









AT
BEDTIME,
WE'LL SLEEP
IN THE SAME
FUTON.



THIS'S
A LOT OF
PRESSURE,
HARUKA-
SAN!

YOU
TWO
BETTER
WIN.



NOW
EXACTLY
DOES
THAT
FACE
LOOK
SWEET
TO
YOU?!

YOU'RE
ON!

YOU
SWEET
LITTLE
GUY!



SAVE
THAT KINDA
COMPLAINT
FOR WHEN
YOU'VE
LOST ALL
WAYS OUT!

BUT
DON'T
WIN,
EITHER.

DON'T
LOSE
NOW,
KEI-KUN!

BOOM







THAT'S
NEWS
TO ME!



OH, I
COULDN'T.

I'M
MORE OF A
STRAIGHT
MAN.



THE
OPPOSITE
SUCKS, TOO,
BUT YOU
MEAN THE
OPPOSITE!

THAT SEA
OF BLOOD
WAS PRETTY,
WAS? LIKE
THE AUTUMN
LEAVES.



HEI-
NUN...



I'M
SURPRISINGLY
CULTURED!

YOU WENT TO
THE ART MUSEUM,
TOO, RIGHT?
YOU?

I HEART
RAKONE!

MEOW!
♡♡

IF YOU ADD
TWO LETTERS TO
"RAKONE," YOU
"RAKONERO,"
BOX CAT.

OR IF YOU
SWITCH IT
AROUND
"NEKORA," A
CAT LOVER.



A young girl with short, light-colored hair and a surprised expression is holding a small, dark, hatched egg. The egg has a large, open mouth with sharp teeth and a single eye. A speech bubble from her contains the text.

THE BLACK
EGG I BOUGHT
AS A SOUVENIR...
HATCHED.



A young man with dark hair and glasses is looking at a cracked egg. A circular inset shows a close-up of the egg's crack. A speech bubble from him contains the text. Below the egg, there are sound effects for a crack and a smash.

THAT'S
ONE FREAKY
CHICK!

CLACK

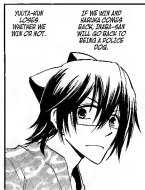


A group of people are gathered around a table, looking at a small screen or board. A speech bubble from one of them contains the text. There are sound effects for gasps and a wheeze. A small character is visible on the table.

WHOEVER
SCORES
NEXT WINS!

OOH!

WHEEZE





YOUR
EXISTENCE
ITSELF IS
A JOKE!

KABLAM

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オ









◀ CHAPTER 10:
THE UNIFORMED POLICE
OFFICER RAIP CASE
(HARUKA'S
INTRODUCTION)
BLATANTLY A WEAKLING.

▼ CHAPTER 14: THE GENIUS
TAG TEAM CASE

THERE WEREN'T ENOUGH
RAGES FOR US TO VISIT
HARUKA'S SICKBER



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CHAPTER 17: THE BILLY GOAT CON CASE





THIS IS
CLEARLY
MEANT TO
BE THE
DON!

THIS IS AN
AFFRONT TO
THE DON!

WHO TOLD
THEM THEY
COULD
MAKE
THIS?!



WHAT
IS THIS
LUNACY
?!



DO NOT
GET FULL
OF YOUR-
SELF JUST
BECAUSE
YOU
SUDDENLY
HAVE FANS
FUSSING
OVER
YOUUU!

YOU ARE
NOTHING!

YOU
OWE ALL
OF YOUR
POPULARITY
TO THE
DON! DO
YOU
REALIZE
THAT?!



SOME-
ONE'S
HAVING
FUN.

NOT WHEN
IT'S THE
DON!

I
CAN'T
DO
IT!

I CAN'T
BE
ROUGH
WITH
IT!









BUT WE
COULDN'T SELL
IT IF ITS BATTERIES
RAN OUT IN ONLY
ONE WEEK.

TO BE PRECISE,
IT'S AN UPDATED
VERSION OF THE
MASTER CICADA.

THAT SAID, ITS
BRAINWASHING
POWERS AREN'T AS
INTENSE AS THAT
OF THE MASTER
CICADA.



IT'S
SUBLINKAL
MESSAGING.

THE SUCKERS
DON'T REALIZE
WHY IT EXCITES
THEM AND SHARE
IT AS ONE OF
THOSE VIDEOS
YOU HAVE TO
WATCH AGAIN AND
AGAIN.

IT STARTS
WITH THE
COMMERCIAL.

SHOCKING IMAGES,
SUCH AS DEATH AND
MURDER, FLICKER ONTO
THE SCREEN TOO FAST
FOR ANYONE TO KNOW
THEY'RE THERE.



SINCE YOU
CAN'T BUY IT IN
STORES, THEY
HAVE TO FILL
IN THEIR PER-
SONAL INFO
TO GET IT.

I MADE
A FAKE
COMPANY
HOMEPAGE.

WHICH, OF
COURSE, LEADS
TO MORE
VIEWS ON THE
DONTA-KUN
STORE, TOO.

SEND ME MONEY, YOU WILL!

I AM FAM-ISHED, I AM!

IT IS THE BILLY GOAT CALLING, IT IS!

SEND ME MONEY, YOU WILL!

I AM FAM-ISHED, I AM!

IT IS THE BILLY GOAT CALLING, IT IS!

SEND ME MONEY, YOU WILL!

I AM FAM-ISHED, I AM!

IT IS THE BILLY GOAT CALLING, IT IS!

SHOW 'EM, DON.

THE BRAINWASHING TAKES A LITTLE TIME, BUT AS LONG AS WE HAVE A RECORD OF WHEN THEY BOUGHT THE TOY AND THEIR PHONE NUMBER, THEY'RE OURS.

NEW SHOP
NEW SHOP

SHOW 'EM, DON.

THE BRAINWASHING TAKES A LITTLE TIME, BUT AS LONG AS WE HAVE A RECORD OF WHEN THEY BOUGHT THE TOY AND THEIR PHONE NUMBER, THEY'RE OURS.

NEW SHOP
NEW SHOP

HEY.

NO WAY!

THEY WIRED US FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND YEN!

HEY.

NO WAY!

THEY WIRED US FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND YEN!

HEY.

NO WAY!

THEY WIRED US FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND YEN!



AND
A MONEY
WIRE WAKES
THEM UP
FROM THE
HYPNOSIS.

GETTING A
"PHONE CALL
FROM A
GOAT" PUTS
THEM UNDER.

THEY'RE
HYPNOTIZED
WITHOUT
EVEN
KNOWING
IT.



AND
A MONEY
WIRE WAKES
THEM UP
FROM THE
HYPNOSIS.

GETTING A
"PHONE CALL
FROM A
GOAT" PUTS
THEM UNDER.

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HYPNOSIS.

GETTING A
"PHONE CALL
FROM A
GOAT" PUTS
THEM UNDER.

THEY'RE
HYPNOTIZED
WITHOUT
EVEN
KNOWING
IT.













BILLY
GOAT!

IT
IS THE
BILLY
GOAT,
IT IS!



7
WAS
THAT
WORK?

I GOTTA
RUN DOWN
TO THE
BANK.



DUDE!
DEJA
VU!

POOR MR.
GOAT NEEDS
FOOD IN
HIS TUMMY.
BEEET

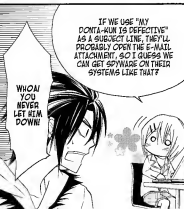


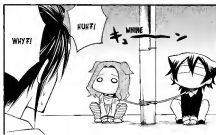
HURT WAIT,
SO IT REALLY
IS ONE OF
THE GOAT'S
SCHEMES??

DID THE
THING DO
THAT TO
HIM?

I KNEW THAT
SOUND WAS
FAMILIAR!

EEEEEEB









TRY
ME.

IF YOU
DON'T GET
OUT OF
MY WAY,
I'LL
WRECK
YOU.



DEFYING
A POLICE
COMMISS-
SIONER?



I'M
NOT UNDER
YOUR
COMMAND.



I NEVER
ONCE LOST
TO YOU IN
KENDO,
REMEMBER?

AND
I ALWAYS
WON IN
JUDO.



YOU'RE
JUST A
BEEFCAKE!

ADMIT
YOUR
DEFEAT!



I DON'T
RECALL
LOSING
TO A BORN
IDiot!



I WOULD
WIN IN A
MARATHON.

YOU THINK
YOU CAN
CATCH UP
WITH THESE
LEGS?

GARLAT
LEGAS!



IF THEY
LOVE YOU
THAT MUCH,
SETTLE
DOWN!

I ONLY NEED
THE LOVE OF
MY WIFE AND
DAUGHTER!

THE
LADIES
LOVE ME
MORE!

YOU WON'T
BELIEVE
HOW MUCH
CHOCOLATE
THEY'VE
GIVEN ME!



YOU PRETEND
LIKE YOU'RE STILL
YOUNG, BUT YOU'LL
BE THIRTY IN
MARCH!

HA! OVER
THE HILL!
OVER THE
HILL!

OVER!
THE!
HILL!

YOU SOUND
LIKE AN OLD
MAN! YOU'RE
OVER THE HILL!



AND
I'M THE
ONE WHO
REPLACED
IT WITH
AN AFRO
WIG!

I STOLE OUR
INSTRUCTOR'S
HAIRPIECE!

I WAS THE
FIRST TO EAT
EVERY SINGLE
THING ON THE
CAFETERIA
MENU!

I WON
THE SPEED-
EATING
COMPETI-
TION!



YEAH, SO
WHAT?!

OGATA /
OSINO

MY
NAME COMES
FIRST IN
ALPHABETICAL
ORDER!



THEY'VE
REACHED A
NEW LOW...

WOOOOW...









YOU DID
YOUR
BEST,
INABA-
SAN...

KIROSHI! WHAT
KIND OF KINKY
SEX PLAY WAS
THAT?!

IT'S SO
NEW THAT THE
SHIVERS IT
GAVE ME
ACTUALLY FEEL
GOOD...

HE LOOKED
AT ME WITH
DISGUST!







EXTRA

--YOU'VE PROBABLY ALREADY CAUGHT ON, BUT THE EXTRA MANGA IN THIS VOLUME IS A COLLECTION OF AXEP SCENES! AND IT'S 17 PAGES OF NEW CONTENT!

◀ DELETED SCENE / A TYPICAL HELLO.



◀ PELETER SCENE /
A FULL BEAR!

▼ PELETER SCENE / "YOU'RE
GONNA GET BITTEN BY THE
GUARD BOB OF JUSTICE!" /
PUSHING HIS LUCK, HIROSHI
WAS GOING TO SAY THIS IN
A BIG PANEL, TRYING TO
LOOK COOL...



► CHAPTER 3: THE UNDERGROUND CASINO CASE / IT STARTED OFF WITH YULTA AND KEI BETTING OVER WHETHER IT WAS A MAN OR WOMAN COMING INTO THE AGENCY. OF COURSE, YULTA WINS.

▼ CHAPTER 4: THE SECRET DOCUMENT ROBBERY CASE / THE GOAT LOVES JAPAN.





◀ DELETED SCENE:
THE NEXT PANEL
WAS HIS RIGHT
HAND IN A CAST

▼ DELETED
SCENE: NOT
A PRANK, NOR
S&M.



▶ CHAPTER 1: THE COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY PRINTING CASE

A WIMP FROM THE VERY FIRST CHAPTER.

▼ CHAPTER 3: THE CHOCOLATE ENCHANTMENT CASE
I HAD THE FAMILY FIGHTING BECAUSE OF CHOCOLATE, BUT PROPPED THAT IDEA.



THE HALL OF AXED
CHARACTERS, THIS IS.



"MOE." HOW SHOULD ONE
DRAW SOMETHING MOE? THE
ILL-FATED STORY I'D BEEN
DRAWING CLEARLY SHOWED MY
CONFUSION ON THE MATTER.

"JUST DRAW CHARACTERS THAT
WOULD MAKE YOU YOURSELF
FEEL MOE."

IT WAS THOSE KIND WORDS
FROM MY EDITOR THAT GAVE
BIRTH TO A GOAT WITH AN
EGG-SHAPED HEAD.

ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE THE
ILL-FATED CHARACTERS WHO
DISAPPEARED ALONG WITH THE
ILL-FATED STORY THAT SERVED
AS THE STEPPING STONES TO
THE CREATION OF THE GOAT.



SEVERED
HEAD!

ONIZUKA
TEKKEN: A
SWORDSMITH'S
APPRENTICE.

Ooba Miwa:
Tekken's Master's
Grandchild



WHY
ARE
YOU
BLUSHING
DING?

I'M JUST A
SCRAP OF FLESH
NOW, I'M TOO
GAY!

NOO!

LOOK,
IT WAS
MY BIRD,
COME IN
AND I'LL
SERVE
YOU
SOME
TEA.



REO /
MOMOKO-
OBSESSER



MOMOKO /
CHICKEN.



SANJOU TAKAO /
CATGIRL



AUTHOR COMMENT ON COVER



MOCHI

APPARENTLY MY NIECE

IS AFRAID

OF MY ART

※AUTHOR COMMENT TAKEN ON COMIC RELEASE DATE

EXTRA MANGA 1

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EXTRA MANGA 2

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